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ABSTRACT AND BIOGRAPHY

Navigating Through ITAR Cross Currents

Have you ever thought what it would be like to be part of a project where a common perception is that mistaken exchanges of ITAR technical data will result in large fines or will result in jail time, or personnel believe that they cannot exchange any technical data because it is ITAR restricted? How does a project amass the need for over 125 industry Technical Assistance Agreements (TAA(s)) anyway; and with this number of TAA(s) how does a project get anything accomplished? What must be considered when you arrange for a program wide review, with planned attendance by over a dozen foreign entities from various countries, and the project wants to conduct that review in a foreign country? Did you realize that dual nationality and country of birth is an ITAR consideration when considering countries of export?

This presentation will explore the various challenges presented by the International Traffic In Arms Regulations (ITAR) to the James Webb Space Telescope Project and other GSFC projects, and will provide a few common sense approaches that projects of any size, particularly ones with international collaboration, can consider to cope with these challenges and keep moving forward.

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